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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Election of Claims

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2006, in which the Examiner has required restriction between Group 1, namely Claims 1-13, and Group 11, namely Claims 14-17. Applicant hereby elects without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group 1 (Claims 1-13) and expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims.

Election of Species

In the Office Action, the Examiner identified two species of the claimed invention and asserted that each species described may be separably patentable. The Examiner identified Species I, shown in Figures 1-5 and 7, and Species II, shown in Figure 6. Applicant hereby elects without traverse to prosecute the claims of Species I for prosecution on the merits. Applicant submits that Claims 1-10 read on the elected species.

Conclusion

Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. Appl No.: 10/699,055 Amdt. dated 06/12/2006

Reply to Restriction Requirement of May 12, 2006

However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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